



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Meeting Minutes

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

## Committee of the Whole

*Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Timothy Bradford, Vice President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, Commissioner David J. Walsh, President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos*

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Thursday, November 3, 2016

10:35 AM

Board Room

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### Call Meeting to Order

President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos presiding, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

### Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Timothy Bradford; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele; David J. Walsh; and Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

### Finance Committee

#### Report

- 1 [16-1121](#) Report on the investment interest income during August 2016

**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2016-08 att](#)

**Recommended**

- 2 [16-1122](#) Report on the investment interest income during September 2016

**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2016-09 att](#)

**Recommended**

- 3 [16-1132](#) Report on investments purchased during August 2016

**Attachments:** [Inv Purch 2016-08 att.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 4 [16-1134](#) Report on investment inventory statistics at September 30, 2016

**Attachments:** [Inv Stat 2016 Q3 Inv.pdf](#)  
[Inv Stat 2016 Q3 Fin Mkt.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 5    [16-1136](#)    Report on investments purchased during September 2016

Attachments:    [Inv Purch 2016-09 att.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

#### Authorization

- 6    [16-1112](#)    Authority to add Project 16-125-4F, McCook Reservoir Expanded Stage 2 Slope Stabilization and Retaining Walls (SSA) to the Engineering Department Capital Improvement Program and the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$11,200,000.00

Attachments:    [Project Data Sheet 16-125-4F McCook Reservoir Expanded Stage 2 Slope Stabilization and Retaining Walls.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

#### Procurement Committee

##### Report

- 7    [16-1108](#)    Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 17-RFP-06 SAP Simplification, estimated cost \$100,000.00, Account 201-52000-612430, Requisition 1440282

**Recommended**

- 8    [16-1109](#)    Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 17-RFP-02 SAP Annual Software Maintenance, estimated cost \$765,000.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1440277

**Recommended**

- 9    [16-1138](#)    Report on rejection of bids for Contract 16-806-21, Furnish, Deliver and Install an Upgraded Vacuum System at the 95th Street Pumping Station, estimated cost \$200,000.00

**Recommended**

- 10    [16-1139](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, October 18, 2016

**Recommended**

- 11    [16-1154](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, October 25, 2016

**Recommended**

- 12    [16-1155](#)    Report on rejection of bids for Contract 16-063-11, Furnish and Deliver V-Belts and Conveyor Belts to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$37,000.00

**Recommended**

- 13 [16-1159](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 17-RFP-14 Biogas Purchaser for Vehicle Fuel from the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant (*As Revised*)

**Recommended**

**Authorization**

- 14 [16-1119](#) Authorization for payment to Eaton Electrical Services & Systems, for registration fees for 10 District Employees in Maintenance and Operations to attend a four-day training class on Basic Protective Relay Testing, in an amount not to exceed \$19,015.00, Account 101-68000-601100

**Recommended**

**Authority to Advertise**

- 15 [16-1110](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-240-3P Organic Waste Receiving Facility and Digester Gas Flare System Upgrade, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$10,500,000.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Requisition 1440276

**Attachments:** [11-240-3P Project Data Sheet.pdf](#)

**Deferred by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos**

- 16 [16-1114](#) Authority to advertise Contract 17-604-11, Furnish and Deliver Air Handling Coils to Various Locations, estimated cost \$110,485.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-623270, Requisitions 1424442, 1424447, and 1425110

**Recommended**

- 17 [16-1117](#) Authority to advertise Contract 17-802-21 Furnish and Deliver a Turbo Blower to the Lemont Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$170,000.00, Account 201-50000-634650, Requisition 1436943

**Recommended**

**Issue Purchase Order**

- 18 [16-1146](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with SimplexGrinnell L.P., to Provide Maintenance and Repair Services for Fire Alarm Systems at the Stickney, Kirie, Hanover Park, O'Brien and Egan Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount not to exceed \$807,335.00, Accounts 101-67000, 69000-612780, Requisitions 1433968 and 1433970

**Recommended**

- 19 [16-1147](#) Issue purchase orders to Borg General Sales, LLC., to Provide Replacement Parts for Siemens Activated Sludge Pump and Backwash Pump Variable Frequency Drives at Various Locations, in a total amount not to exceed \$27,000.00, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623070
- Recommended**
- 20 [16-1148](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 16-631-12 (Re-Bid), Furnishing and Delivering Odor Control Canisters and Media to Various Locations, to Syneco Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$134,980.00, Account 101-66000-623560, Requisition 1423274
- Recommended**
- 21 [16-1157](#) Issue purchase orders to W.W. Grainger, Inc. to Furnish and Deliver Maintenance, Repair and Operating Catalog Products, under the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Cooperative Purchasing Contract #091214-WWG, in an amount not to exceed \$367,200.00, Accounts 101-15000, 16000, 20000, 27000, 50000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623030, 623070, 623090, 623110, 623130, 623190, 623270, 623570, 623660, 623680, 623810, 623860 and 623990, Requisitions 1388792, 1393759, 1435781, 1435784, 1436928, 1436934, 1438345, 1439223, 1439232
- Recommended**

**Award Contract**

- 22 [16-1149](#) Authority to award Contract 16-055-11 Furnish and Deliver Pipe Covering and Insulation to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to Indi Enterprise, Inc., in a total amount not to exceed \$27,106.43, Account 101-20000-623170

**Attachments:** [Contract 16-055-11 Item Descriptions.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

**Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

- 23 [16-1111](#) Authority to increase Contract 11-405-3M Coarse Screens and RSP Slide Gates Replacement, Egan Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC in an amount of \$46,563.33, from an amount of \$2,875,223.05, to an amount not to exceed \$2,921,786.38, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 4000014

**Attachments:** [CO LOG 11-405-3M BM 11.3.16.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 24 [16-1115](#) Authority to decrease purchase order for Contract 73-161-DH McCook Reservoir Expanded Stage 2 Overburden, Cook County, Illinois with The Lane Construction Corporation in an amount of \$477,163.82, from an amount of \$19,220,282.20, to an amount not to exceed \$18,743,118.38, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5001388

**Attachments:** [CO LOG 73-161-DH BM 11-3-16.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 25 [16-1116](#) Authority to decrease the purchase order for Contract 10-885-AF (Re-Bid), Streambank Stabilization of I&M Canal Tributary D with Path Construction Company in an amount of \$14,510.24, from an amount of \$1,198,513.90, to an amount not to exceed \$1,184,003.66, Account 501-50000-645720, Purchase Order 4000015

**Attachments:** [CO LOG 10-885-AF BM 11-3-16.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 26 [16-1118](#) Authority to increase purchase orders to Graybar Electric Company, Inc., to furnish and deliver Electrical Catalog Products under the U.S. Communities Cooperative Purchasing Contract #MA-IS-1340234-10, in an amount of \$16,875.00, from an amount of \$73,900.00, to an amount not to exceed \$90,775.00, Accounts 101-15000/66000/67000/68000/69000-623070, Purchase Orders 3089326, 3089340 and 3089341

**Recommended**

- 27 [16-1120](#) Authority to increase purchase order to Nu-Recycling Technology, Inc., to furnish an odor control misting system to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount of \$58,000.00, from an amount of \$133,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$191,000.00, Account 101-69000-612490, Purchase Order 3085446

**Recommended**

## Engineering Committee

### Authorization

- 28 [16-1143](#) Authority to make payment of \$2,272,947.12 to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the non-federal sponsor's share of the costs associated with the Chicagoland Underflow Plan McCook Reservoir, Project 73-161-2H, Account 401-50000-645630

**Recommended**

## Judiciary Committee

**Authorization**

- 29    [16-1129](#)    Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Paul McGrath vs. MWRDGC, Case 11 WC 32553, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$400,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

**Recommended**

- 30    [16-1130](#)    Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claims of Esmiro Vargas vs. MWRDGC, Cases 11 WC 41074, 11 WC 45515, 11 WC 45516, and 16 WC 00031 in the sum of \$46,166.47, Account 901-30000-601090

**Recommended**

**Pension, Human Resources & Civil Service Committee****Authorization**

- 31    [16-1105](#)    Approval of the Addition of an International Equity Fund to the Deferred Compensation Plan Options

**Recommended**

**Real Estate Development Committee****Authorization**

- 32    [16-1140](#)    Authority to grant a 25-year, 20' x 700.2' non-exclusive easement to Commonwealth Edison Company to continue to operate, maintain, repair and remove electrical transmission lines and distribution facilities on District real estate located west of Pulaski Road and north of the Main Channel in Chicago, Illinois, and known as part of Main Channel Parcel 40.02. Consideration shall be an initial annual fee of \$9,523.00

**Attachments:**    [Aerial Map.Parcel 40.02 11.3.16.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Agenda Item be Recommended. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:**    8 -    Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**Abstain:**    1 -    Michael A. Alvarez

- 33 [16-1144](#) Authority to purchase the real estate commonly known as 8600 Natchez Avenue in Burbank, IL for the construction of the Melvina Ditch Reservoir Improvements and authority for payment to Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee Under Trust No. 1076, the owner of said real estate, for the purchase price, in an amount of \$120,000.00, relocation costs in an amount not to exceed \$2,200.00 and closing costs, Account 401-50000-656010, Capital Improvements Bond Fund

Attachments: [Aerial Map.8600 Natchez Ave.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

- 34 [16-1145](#) Authority to amend Lease Agreement dated February 4, 1988, with the City of Palos Heights on approximately 78 acres of District real estate located south of the Cal-Sag Channel between the Northfolk Southern Railway and Ridgeland Avenue in Palos Heights, Illinois; Cal-Sag Channel Parcels 8.08 and 9.04, and commonly referred to as the Lake Katherine Nature Center, to allow additional uses. Consideration shall be a nominal \$10.00 fee plus 25% of the net profits

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcels 8.08, 9.04 & Lake Katherine.pdf](#)

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

## State Legislation & Rules Committee

### Authorization

- 35 [16-1150](#) Adoption of Amendments to the Rules of the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (*As Revised*)

Attachments: [11 3 16 Amendments to the Rules of the Board](#)

**Deferred by David J. Walsh**

## Stormwater Management Committee

### Authorization

- 36 [16-1113](#) Authorization for payment to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for Section 401 water quality certification in the amount of \$10,000.00 in connection with Buffalo Creek Reservoir Expansion, Contract 13-370-3F, Account 401-50000-612430

**Recommended**

- 37 [16-1137](#) Authorization to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with and make payment to the Chicago Park District to share the cost of an experimental test conducted by Parjana Distribution, LLC at Mount Greenwood Park in Chicago, Illinois (16-IGA-19) in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1440566

**Recommended**

- 38 [16-1158](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Water Environment Federation and District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, in developing a National Green Infrastructure Certification Program

*Deleted by the Executive Director*

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Timothy Bradford, that the Executive Director be authorized to delete this agenda item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

- 39 [16-1162](#) Authorization for public notification of intent to amend the Watershed Management Ordinance

Attachments: [Overview of Proposed Changes REV9 16.pdf](#)

**Recommended**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 15, 32, 34, 35, 38, and 40**

President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan. President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

## Miscellaneous & New Business

### Resolution

- 40 [16-1161](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners supporting the formulation of District policy to ensure full and equitable employment and contracting opportunities for military veterans of the United States

**A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Recommended. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

### Executive Session

*A motion was made by David J. Walsh, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Judiciary to discuss one matter of filed and pending litigation. Motion carried by roll call 9:0*

*A motion was made by David J. Walsh, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Judiciary to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried by roll call 9:0*



## Adjournment

The Committee of the Whole meeting of November 3, 2016 was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk